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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF

ANDREW GREENDORFER, D.V.M.

TO PRACTICE VETERINARY MEDICINE
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") following its review of a consumer complaint filed by Michael Haya, on or about August 21, 2008 concerning the treatment rendered to his kitten, "Cuddles," by the respondent, Andrew Greendorfer, D.V.M., at Red Bank Veterinary Hospital ("Hospital") in August 2008. Mr. Haya alleged, among other contentions, that the respondent engaged in gross negligence in

his treatment of the kitten.

Cuddles was presented to Dr. Greendorfer, at the Hospital on August 11, 2008 for a new pet examination and check-up. The kitten was a stray and had recently been taken into the Haya home. After a physical examination, the respondent concluded that the kitten was in good health but diagnosed a moderate to marked ectoparasite infestation, namely, fleas and ear mites, a suspected gastrointestinal parasite burden and a thin body condition. Cuddles weighed approximately 14 ounces.

Dr. Greendorfer recommended parasite removal via treating the ear mites with Revolution, Capstar for the fleas and Strongid for the gastrointestinal parasites. Since the use of these medications for parasites was extra-label, and due to Cuddles' age and weight, the respondent advised the owner that he would check references regarding the use of the medications before administration. Dr. Greendorfer later advised the owner that he had located on-line references for his recommended treatment plan. The respondent then administered the medications to Cuddles. The kitten was taken home and found dead at home the following morning. The death of the kitten was confirmed by another veterinarian at the facility.

The Board, following its review of the relevant documents in this matter, found that Dr. Greendorfer violated its patient record regulation by failing to create and maintain

medical records for Cuddles, contrary to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) and N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.9(a). Specifically, N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.9 requires veterinarians to maintain a separate patient record for each animal, herd or flock and that all patient records accurately reflect the treatment or services rendered by the licensee. The Board finds that Dr. Greendorfer's records did not comply with its regulation and did not accurately reflect the treatment or services rendered by the licensee, in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.9. The Board concludes that these facts as detailed above establish a basis for disciplinary action.

The parties desiring to resolve this matter without the need for further disciplinary proceedings; and the Respondent acknowledging and not contesting the findings of the Board and waiving his right to a hearing; and the Board having been satisfied that the within resolution adequately protects the public health, safety and welfare; and for good cause shown:

IT IS, THEREFORE, ON THIS 23rd DAY OF NOVEMBER

~~OCTOBER~~ 2011 ORDERED THAT:

1. The respondent, Andrew Greendorfer, D.V.M., is hereby formally reprimanded for his conduct as described above, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) and N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.9.
2. Respondent shall cease and desist from further violations of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) and N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.9.
3. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in

the amount of **\$2,500.00** for record keeping violation, contrary to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) and N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.9. Payment for the civil penalty shall be submitted contemporaneously with the signing of this Order, by certified check or money order, made payable to the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners and shall be forwarded to Francine Widrich, Acting Executive Director, Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Post Office Box 45020, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Subsequent violations will subject respondent to enhanced penalties subject to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

In the alternative, the respondent may pay the civil penalty, totaling **\$2,500.00**, in equal monthly installment payments of **\$104.00** for a total twenty-three (23) months. The twenty-fourth (24th) and final payment will total **\$108.00**. The first payment shall be paid simultaneously with submission of this Order with subsequent payments due on the fifteenth of each month thereafter until the total amount is paid in full.

Any failure to make any installment payment within ten (10) days of the due date shall cause the entire remaining balance to become immediately due and payable without further notice. Further, failure to pay the penalty within the time period allotted above will result in the filing of a Certificate of Debt, including the applicable interest permitted by the New Jersey Court Rules, and may result in subsequent disciplinary

proceedings before the Board for failure to comply with an Order of the Board.

4. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Order or remit any and all payments required by this Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt and may result in subsequent disciplinary proceedings against the Respondent for failure to comply with an Order of the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD
OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: Mark W. Logan VMD
MARK W. LOGAN, V.M.D.
President

I have read and understand
the within Consent Order and
agree to be bound by its terms.
Consent is hereby given to the
Board to enter this Order.

[Signature]
ANDREW GREENDORFER, D.V.M.

DATED: 11/3/11

Consent as to form and entry.

[Signature]
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DATED: 11/7/11